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Pursuant to Rule 1.4(a)(4) of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Rules of Practice and Procedure, General Motors LLC and Maven Drive LLC request party status in the above-referenced proceeding.

**I. COMMUNICATIONS**

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**II. DESCRIPTION OF PARTY**

General Motors LLC (GM) is an American multinational corporation headquartered in Detroit, Michigan, that designs, manufactures, markets, and distributes vehicles and vehicle parts. General Motors produces vehicles in 37 countries under thirteen brands and has a number of joint ventures in several

countries. General Motors employs 212,000 people and does business in more than 120 countries.

Maven Drive LLC (Maven) and GM are wholly owned subsidiaries of General Motors Holdings LLC. Maven was established in 2016 to provide car sharing and other personal mobility services and currently provides car sharing services in four markets including New York City, Ann Arbor, MI; Chicago, and Boston. Maven is expanding its offerings in multiple cities and communities across the U.S.

In early 2016, GM invested \$500 million in Lyft, a Transportation Network Company (TNC) regulated by this Commission. As part of the investment, GM is working with Lyft, through Maven, to set up a series of short-term car rental hubs across the United States, where people who do not own cars can rent vehicles to drive for Lyft. Maven hubs are already in operation in Illinois and Massachusetts

### **III. STATEMENT OF INTEREST**

The terms and conditions under which a TNC driver may rent a car to perform services will affect the operation of Maven's rental hubs in California. The ability to rent will turn on the Commission's definition of "personal vehicle." Decision 13-09-045 defined a TNC as:

*an organization...operating in California that provides prearranged transportation services for compensation using an online-enabled application (app) or platform to connect passengers with drivers using their personal vehicles.<sup>1</sup>*

The Commission noted that the primary difference between a TNC and a Transportation Charter Party (TCP) is that a TNC connects riders to drivers who

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<sup>1</sup> D.13-09-045 at 1.

drive their “personal vehicle.” Personal vehicle has not yet been defined in the context of TNC regulation; the Commission therefore directed a third phase of this proceeding to establish a definition, among other issues.<sup>2</sup>

GM and Maven request party status to address this important Phase 3 issue.

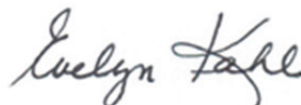
#### **IV. STATEMENT OF INTENDED CONTENTIONS**

If granted party status, GM and Maven will contend that the Commission should maximize TNC driver flexibility to rent vehicles to provide their services, consistent with the Commission’s safety objectives. Granting this motion for party status thus will not expand the scope of issues or delay the schedule.

#### **V. CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, this motion for party status should be expeditiously granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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<sup>2</sup> D.16-04-041, Ordering Paragraph 11.